## PETITION FOR CLASSIFICATION OF AN EXOTIC SPECIES

<u>Please provide detailed answers to all questions</u>. Partially complete forms may be returned to applicants, which could delay the process for getting an animal imported into Montana. Evidence must be provided on the form indicating that the applicant has researched the potential impacts caused by the species if it were to escape or be released into the wild.

I. APPLICANT 1. Name:
2. Phone #:
3. Address:
4. Date:
II. SPECIES INFORMATION  1. Common and Scientific name:
2. Adult size:
3. Average lifespan:
4. Give details on the reproduction of the animal (eg. how many offspring can be produced per year, age at sexual maturity)
5. What are the feeding requirements of the animal (eg. what does the animal eat in the wild and how much does the animal require in a given period such as a day or a week)?
6. Country of native origin:

## III. POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS CAUSED BY THE SPECIES IF RELEASED OR ESCAPES FROM CAPTIVITY

For each question provide explanations for your answers.

1. Could the species survive in the wild in Montana (provide details on habitat requirements)?
2. Have introduced populations, either through intentional or accidental release, become established, if so provide details including information on locations?
3. Could the species hybridize with Montana wildlife?
4. Could the species successfully compete with Montana wildlife, for instance for food or space?
5. Would the species prey on other animals including those which are wild, domestic or livestock?
6. Is this species known to destroy habitat?
7. Could the species negatively impact agricultural commodities such as crops, orchards, or livestock?
8. Could the species cause infrastructure or industrial damage, such as interfering with irrigation systems, waste water treatment or hydropower facilities?

## IV. POTENTIAL HEALTH OR SAFETY RISKS OF THE EXOTIC SPECIES TO THE HANDLER, PUBLIC, WILDLIFE OR AGRICULTURE (INCLUDING LIVESTOCK)

For	each c	uestion	provide e	xplanations	for your	answers.

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1. Could the species produce venom?					
2. Are there any known associations with pathogens which could be harmful to humans, wildlife, or domestic animals?					
3. Could the species inflict physical injury?					
V. CAN THE SPECIES BE READILY CONTROLLED					
For each question provide detailed answers.					
1. What are the standard control measures used for maintaining this species in captivity and are they readily available to the public?					
2. Is specialized training necessary for the proper and safe handling of the species?					
3. What medical procedures are available to mitigate the following potential harmful effects and are the procedures permanent and if not how often should they be repeated?  a). Reproduction					
b) Disease					
c) Mobility					

VI. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	
1. List any federal, state, or local permit recopossession of the species, also list any permit have been issued from any other states or fe particular species?	ts that you may currently own which
2. List at least 3 sources of information that example, website addresses, book or literatu	<u>-</u>
Applicants Signature	Date